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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 18 May 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

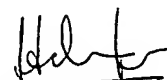
c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment is only to claim 40 and adds the word "a" therein (note applicants remarks). No other claim (including claim 8) is amended in the subject Amendment. Thus the amendment is entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.



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